

Town of North Smithfield  
**Historic District Commission**

Minutes of June 22, 2015

A meeting of the North Smithfield Historic District Commission was held on

Monday, June 22, 2015

at 6:30 PM

Heritage Hall, 101 Greene St. Street, Slatersville, RI

**Call to order:** 6:47

**Members Present:** Daniel Couture, Christian de Rezendes , Jeffrey Fontaine, Jeffrey Harris,  
Elizabeth Martin, Keith Nadeau, Eric Piette

**Members Absent:** none

**Materials Distributed:** Agenda

**Approval of Minutes from May 17 , 2015**

Minutes from May 17, 2015 meeting were deferred.

**Applications**

A. No applications filed.

**Old Business**

- A.. Review grant opportunities for the Forestdale Schoolhouse master plan (re: joint venture with the North Smithfield Heritage Association)
- B. On Hold.: Historic District Informational Meeting with the Slatersville Congregational Church.
- C. Review and finalize for submission/ funding/ printing of the NSHDC Standards & Guidelines Brochure.
  - 1 Final draft required for review by the RI Historic Preservation commission mid July 2015.

**New Business**

- A. Workshop: Preliminary review of expansion of Slatersville Historic District; re: National Park Service and the inclusion of Slatersville in the new Blackstone River Valley National Heritage Corridor Park.
  - 1. National Park Service is seeking expansion of Slatersville Historic District.
  - 2. NSHDC Members reviewed map of proposed potential properties possibly expanding local district from the original 19 to include 64 more properties.
  - 3. Proposed map shows four prongs including a portion of North Main St and School St, and further extension on both Greene St. and Main St.
- B. Discussion: Disposition of Forestdale Mill Office Building, School Street.
  - 1. Question posed: Do we want to do anything with the building?

C. Notice: Grow Smart RI Workshop: Conducting Effective Land Use Reviews, Thursday, June 25, 2015, 5:30-9:00pm, Burnside Bldg., 2nd Flr. Meeting Room, 400 Hope Street, Bristol, RI (online registration).

D. Preliminary review Of Kendall Dean Municipal Bldg.; re: RIHPHC State Preservation Grant Program.

1. Bob Ericson, Town Planner, is seeking grant funds to improve Kendall Dean Building
2. Potential exists to upwards \$150, 0000 in grant monies.

E. Current events related to N.S. Heritage Association.

**Subcommittee Reports:**

A. Subcommittee: Union Village Historic District Research Committee

Research

1. Continuing.

B. Subcommittee Report: Rhode Island Historic Preservation and Heritage Commission for Certified Local Government Grant(NSHDC CLG Grant Committee).

1. Continuing.

C. Subcommittee Report : North Smithfield Historic District Commission Standards and Guidelines (NSHDC S&G Committee):

1. Continuing.

**Meeting Adjourned**

The meeting was called to a close at

Motion: Elizabeth Martin

Seconded: Eric Piette

All in favor All

Opposed: None

Next Meeting: Monday , July 27, 2015